

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended, as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A method of network acquisition for a cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies ~~and~~ said method comprising:

searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology (RAT); ~~and;~~

subsequent to identifying a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, ~~comprising the steps of~~ also monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies in order to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells is more suitable than the cell identified on the ~~said~~ one radio ~~technology~~; technology; and

subsequent to said monitoring, selecting and camping for ~~the~~ a first time on ~~the~~ a cell identified from all of the radio technologies searched as ~~the~~ most suitable.

2. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein ~~the step of~~ said monitoring the cells on ~~the said~~ another RAT comprises monitoring neighbouring cells on all of the plurality of RATs.

3. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the step of monitoring cells on ~~the said~~ another RAT ~~includes the step of~~ comprises obtaining a BA (neighboring cell) list on the ~~said~~ identified cell but for all of the plurality of other RATs read.

4. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the suitability of the cells is determined on ~~the~~ a basis of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

5. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the ~~step of~~ identifying a suitable cell ~~includes~~ comprises determining a derivative of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

6. (Currently amended) A cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies ~~and including~~, comprising:

means for searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology (RAT); ~~and~~

means for monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies (RATs), subsequent to ~~the~~ an identification of a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, so as to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells might prove more suitable than the ~~said~~ identified cell; cell; and

~~further including~~ means for, subsequent to the ~~said~~ monitoring, selecting and camping on ~~the~~ a cell identified as ~~the~~ most suitable, as an initial camping.

7. (Currently amended) A cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies ~~and including~~ (RATs), comprising:

means for searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology; ~~and~~

means for monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies, subsequent to the identification of a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, so as to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells might prove more suitable than the ~~said~~ identified cell; cell; and ~~further including~~

means for, subsequent to the ~~said~~ monitoring, selecting and camping, as an initial camping, on ~~the~~ a cell identified as ~~the~~ most suitable ~~and arranged to operate in accordance~~

~~with the method of claim 2.~~

8-9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 2, wherein the ~~step of~~ monitoring of cells on ~~the said~~ another RAT ~~includes the step of~~ comprises obtaining a BA (neighboring cell) list on the ~~said~~ identified cell but for all of the plurality of other RATs read.

11. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 2, wherein the suitability of the cells is determined on ~~the~~ a basis of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

12. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein the suitability of the cells is determined on ~~the~~ a basis of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

13. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 2, wherein the ~~step of~~ identifying a suitable cell ~~includes~~ comprises determining a derivative of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

14. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein the ~~step of~~ identifying a suitable cell ~~includes~~ comprises determining a derivative of ~~the~~ a strength of a signal received therefrom.

15. (Currently amended) A cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies (RATs) ~~and including comprising:~~

means for searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology (RAT); ~~and~~

means for monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies,

subsequent to the identification of a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, so as to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells might prove more suitable than the ~~said~~ identified cell; cell; and ~~further including~~

means for, subsequent to the ~~said~~ monitoring, selecting and camping, for a first camping, on the a cell identified as the most suitable and arranged to operate in accordance with the method of claim 3.

16. (Currently amended) A cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies (RATs), ~~comprising: and including~~

means for searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology (RAT); ~~and~~

means for monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies (RATs),

subsequent to the identification of a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, so as to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells might prove more suitable than the ~~said~~ identified cell; cell; and ~~further including~~

means for, subsequent to the ~~said~~ monitoring, selecting and camping, for a first time, on the a cell identified as the most suitable and arranged to operate in accordance with the method of claim 4.

17. (Currently amended) A cellular radio communications device arranged for operation in accordance with a plurality of radio technologies (RATs), ~~comprising: and including~~

means for searching to identify a suitable cell on one radio technology (RAT); ~~and~~

means for monitoring cells on another of the plurality of radio technologies, subsequent to the identification of a suitable cell on the ~~said~~ one radio technology, so as to identify if one of the ~~said~~ monitored cells might prove more suitable than the ~~said~~ identified cell; cell; ~~and further including~~

means for, subsequent to the ~~said~~ monitoring, selecting and camping, for a first time, on ~~the~~ a cell identified as the most suitable ~~and arranged to operate in accordance with the method of claim 5.~~

18. (New) A method of network acquisition, comprising:

determining which cell is most suitable, after monitoring more than one radio technology (RAT) for possible cells; and

camping onto said most suitable cell as an initial camping.

19. (New) A device that operates with a plurality of radio technologies (RATs), said device comprising:

a detection module for monitoring cells on more than one of said plurality of RATs and for identifying which cell in said plurality of RATs is most suitable for camping; and

a controller for camping, for a first time, on said cell identified as most suitable.